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TO AMEMBASSY BANGUI

AMEMBASSY YAOUNDE

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FROM JOHNSON

PARIS FOR HELMAN

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAID, EEC, CT

SUBJECT: EUROPEAN DEVELOPMENT FUND: JOHNSON CONSULTATIONS ON CENTRAL  
AFRICAN REPUBLIC

1. DURING MEETING WITH EDF OFFICIALS ON FEBRUARY 19,  
RDO/YAOUNDE REPRESENTATIVE INQUIRED RE PRESENT AND PROJECTED  
PLANS FOR CENTRAL AFRICAN REPLUBLIC UNDER FOURTH EDF (1976-  
1980).

2. EDF ADVISES THAT CAR HAS SUBMITTED "SHOPPING LIST" OF  
AGRICULTURAL, EDUCATIONAL AND TRANSPORT PROPOSALS. IT IS  
DIFFICULT TO EVALUATE PROPOSALS IN ABSENCE OF OVERALL  
STRATEGY OR DETAILED FEASIBILITY OF INDIVIDUAL ACTIVITIES.

2. EDF HAS SCHEDULED TWO WEEK PROGRAMMING MISSION TO DIS-  
CUSS PROPOSALS WITH GOCAR BEGINNING WEEK OF MARCH 1. BELIEVE  
IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR RDO REPRESENTATIVE TO VISIT BANGUI

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DURING EDF MISSION IF RDO/Y AND EMBASSY/BANGUI CONCUR.

4. ON-GOING EDF PROJECTS FOR COTTON PRODUCTION AND COFFEE PRODUCTION ARE BEING EVALUATED. REPORT TO BE FINISHED IN AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 1976. COFFEE PROJECT GENERALLY REGARDED AS HAVING MET PRODUCTION/DEVELOPMENT TARGETS. COTTON PROJECT HAS NOT. EDF ANTICIPATES CONSIDERING SOME ADDITIONAL SUPPORT IN BOTH AREAS, DEPENDING UPON RESULTS PROGRAMMING MISSION DISCUSSIONS AND EVALUATION.

5. IN KEEPING WITH NEW APPROACH UNDER LOME CONVENTION EDF REPORTS THAT PROJECT ACTIVITIES WILL MOVE AWAY FROM PROVIDING DIRECT SUPPORT SUCH AS FINANCING OF RECURRENT COSTS. GIVEN PRECARIOUS CAR BUDGETARY POSITION, PRODUCTION ACTIVITIES IN CAR WILL BE DIFFICULT TO MOUNT AND SUSTAIN.

6. EDF PROGRAM IN CAR WILL BE MODEST BUT NO DETAILS YET AVAILABLE REGARDING OVERALL 1976-80 COST. HINTON

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